ENVIRONMENTAL & REGULATORY SERVICES DIVISION BUREAU OF PECFA

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# Wisconsin Department of Commerce, Bureau of PECFA **Bid Document**

# **SECTION 1 - Scope of Work**

The Bureau of PECFA is seeking competitive bids to perform remedial services for a petroleum release from a regulated petroleum product storage tank system. This bid is for a specified work scope. The site upon which bids are being solicited is:

Bid Round: 60

Commerce #: 54665-0026-26-A BRRTS #: 02-63-107717

Site Name: Vernon Oil Coop Bulk Plant

Site Address: 107 Railroad Ave, Viroqua, 54665

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Bid-Start Date:	April 20, 2009
Questions must be received by (See Section 2 (B)):	May 04, 2009, 4:00 PM
Responses will be posted by (See Section 2 (B)):	May 22, 2009
Bid-End Date and Time:	June 05, 2009, 4:00 PM

The case file, including report(s) and other pertinent information upon which bids are being sought, are available for review at the Site Manager's location listed above. Please contact the Site Manager for an appointment to review the file.

Copies of report(s) and other pertinent information are available for purchase at the location listed below. If pertinent information is not available, please contact the Site Manager.

Xer-Lith Printing-Madison, 131 W Wilson St, Madison, WI 53703 Phone: (608) 257-8900 Fax: (608) 257-8900

# **SECTION 2 – Site-Specific Bid Requirements**

# **General Comments**

The Vernon Cooperative Bulk Plant site has been a bulk plant since 1932. Structures include nine ASTs for petroleum storage, and office building, a storage building, and liquid propane (LP) distribution area.

The site surface is mainly gravel and grass. Site geology consists of unconsolidated sediments overlying weathered carbonate rocks and sandstone. The unconsolidated sediments consist of silty to sandy clays with lenses of silty sand and medium grained sand. Depth to bedrock ranges from 4.5 to 39.5 feet bgs.

Depth to groundwater in the region varies significantly. The site is located on a ridge and regional groundwater is expected to be greater than 100 feet bgs. Perched water was encountered during the site investigation in TB-1 at a depth of approximately 37 feet bgs.

## **Minimum Remedial Requirements**

An excavation is required to address direct contact issues and remove additional contaminated soil. The excavation should center on the location of boring TB-1 and extend from there to the extent practical by site limitations (tank and distribution piping runs are located in close proximity). The excavation should extend to a minimum depth of 4' and continue to the maximum depth that can be safely reached.

For the purposes of the bid assume a minimum excavation size of 52 tons. Bidders will be required to provide a per ton contingency cost for soil excavation and disposal (commodity only). The bid cap will be modified up or down to reflect the amount of actual soil excavated based on scale receipts and the contingency cost provided.

The excavation must be back-filled with clean materials of equal or lower permeability. Backfill should be thoroughly compacted. Confirmation base and sidewall samples must be collected in accordance with all applicable state guidelines and analyzed for petroleum volatile organic compounds (PVOCs) and naphthalene.

The cost to fulfill *all* landfill requirements for waste characterization analysis prior to soil disposal must be included. Be aware that Toxicity Characteristic Leaching Procedure (TCLP) documentation and sampling requirements vary depending on the landfill. Therefore, bidders must include a line-item cost for TCLP sample collection and analysis, to be used if required.

Upon completion of the workscope, a complete closure request, including GIS package if warranted, should be prepared and submitted to Commerce. The closure request must also include documentation of the excavation and sampling activities performed under this bid.

# **SECTION 3 - Reporting Timeframes**

Within 60 days of the Commerce notification of the maximum reimbursement amount, the responsible party (RP) must execute a written contract with one of the firms that submitted a bid. Failure to execute the written contract within this time will result in ineligibility of interest expenses incurred from the date of the reimbursement cap letter until a contract is executed and work commences at the site. Work must commence within 45 days of signing a contract. There are specific reporting requirements in Comm 47.70 to monitor the progress of activities at each bid site and there may be additional reporting requirements outlined above. The consulting firm that is contracted to

complete the scope of work is required to report the progress of this site to Commerce electronically on the web site at each of the following points:

- 1. Within fourteen days of executing or terminating a contract with the RP.
- 2. Three months after entering into the contract with the RP.
- 3. Twelve months after beginning the work in the successful bid, unless the project is completed before that time (point 6 applies).
- 4. Twelve months after submitting the previous report (point 3), unless the project is completed before that time (point 6 applies).
- 5. No later than 10 days after encountering a change in circumstances (the list of circumstances is in Comm 47.70 (3)).
- 6. No later than 30 days after completing the work.
- 7. As directed by Commerce.

If Commerce determines that the consulting firm is failing to make adequate progress to complete the scope of work, Commerce will notify the RP and may reduce the reimbursement to accurately reflect the work completed.

## Claim Submittal

A claim must be submitted to Commerce within 120 days of submitting the report described in *Reporting Timeframe*, *point #6*. If a claim is not submitted by the deadline described above, interest costs from the date the report (point #6) is submitted to the date the claim is received will not be reimbursed to the claimant. The claim preparation cost must be included in the Total Bid Amount and is considered within the reimbursement cap.

### **Questions and Answers**

Questions, answers and interpretations will be considered an amendment of this solicitation. All questions must be submitted in writing (fax and electronic mail submittals are acceptable) to the Bid Manager identified in Section 1 of this solicitation. All answers and interpretations shall be in writing from the Bid Manager. Neither the PECFA program nor Commerce shall be legally bound by any amendments or interpretations that are not in writing. Bidders are not to contact other personnel located within the Department of Commerce/Bureau of PECFA concerning the site or the bid solicitation between the Bid Announcement Date and Bid End Date. No further questions will be addressed after the deadline for submitting questions identified in Section 1.

#### **SECTION 4 - Conditions of Bid**

The successful bidder will be the entity that complies with all provisions of the bid and provides the lowest total cost, excluding interest, for the site-specific bid requirements described in Section 2. In preparing the bid, the bidder must assume compliance with all applicable codes, including, but not limited to, §Comm 46, §Comm 47, and §NR 700 Wis. Admin. Codes.

The bid Commerce selects to determine the least costly method of remedial action will be the least costly qualified bid. Commerce will rank the bids solely on the basis of cost. Evaluation of bids will continue until the least costly qualified bid is identified. Submittals from an individual or firm during their period of disqualification from bidding, submittals received late and for submittals without a certified commitment (performance

assurance and/or signature) will not be considered as bids. Commerce may disqualify a bid for the following reasons:

- Requirements of the bid specifications have not been met.
- The remedial strategy is not appropriate to the geologic setting.
- A Total Bid Amount is insufficient to fund the activities described in the bid specifications.

Commerce reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Any proposed technology or methods used in the remediation must be allowed for use in the State of Wisconsin and approvable by the agency with jurisdiction (Natural Resources or Commerce).

The bidder Commerce intends to select may be required to provide input to and attend a meeting with the PECFA program and the claimant to explain the bid and remedial approach.

If a bid is disqualified, Commerce will provide written notification to any individual or firm that submitted a disqualified bid. The notification shall specify the reasons for the disqualification, and inform the individual or firm of their right to protest or appeal the decision. If a bid is more costly than the bid Commerce intends to select, the bid will not be reviewed.

The Notice of Intent will identify the least costly bid, disqualified bid(s) and bid(s) not reviewed. The Notice of Intent will be sent to the RP and will be posted on PECFA's Internet Web site.

## **SECTION 5 - Instructions to Bidders**

Between the bid start and end dates, bidders shall not discuss or attempt to negotiate any aspects of the bid with the RP, other potential bidders or program staff without prior approval of the Bid Manager identified in Section 1. Infractions will result in rejection of the violator's bid and may result in a formal complaint being filed with the Department of Regulation and Licensing.

If access to the site is necessary for the preparation of a bid, access shall be arranged through the Bid Manager. If the Bid Manager is not able to arrange site access, this will not delay the bid process nor negate the comparison and selection from among the bids submitted. All costs associated with a site visit or preparation of a bid will be the bidder's responsibility.

The Bidding Process must conform to the following:

- 1. The Bid Response shall address all the site-specific bid requirements identified in Section 2.
- 2. The total bid amount to accomplish the stated goal must include all fees, reporting costs, pre- and post-closure costs and costs for establishing restrictions or institutional controls, when applicable (interest costs are excluded).
- The submittal must include a copy of the Bid Response document signed by a Professional Engineer, Professional Geologist, Hydrologist or Soil Scientist licensed by the State of Wisconsin. The appropriate registration number of the professional license must be included. Registration requirements are listed in Comm 5.

- 4. Bids *cannot* be faxed or sent electronically (email) to the program. Documents received by fax or email will not be considered.
- 5. Bids, amendments thereto or withdrawal requests must be received by 4 pm on the bid end date.
- 6. The consulting firm's name must be included and all pages of the Bid Response.
- 7. All costs must be printed (ink, typewritten or computer). Errors must be crossed out, corrections entered and initialed by the person signing the bid. Correction fluid is not allowed. No bid shall be altered or amended after the time specified for the bid end date.
- 8. Each bidder shall fully acquaint themselves with conditions relating to the scope and restrictions attending to the execution of the work under the conditions of this bid. The failure of a bidder to acquaint themselves with existing documented conditions shall in no way relieve any obligation with respect to this bid.
- 9. All amendments to and interpretations of this bid shall be in writing from the Bid Manager. Neither Commerce nor the program shall be legally bound by any amendment or interpretation that is not in writing.
- 10. This bid is intended to promote competition. If the language, specifications, terms and conditions, or any combination thereof restricts or limits the requirements in this bid to a single source, it shall be the responsibility of the interested bidders to notify the program in writing so as to be received five days prior to the opening date. The bid may or may not be changed; however a review of such notification will be made prior to award.

# **SECTION 6 - Bidder Disqualification**

Commerce may disqualify from public bidding any individual or firm that has committed any of the following (Comm 47.67 (1) (a)):

- 1. Failed to complete the scope of work within the reimbursement cost cap established through public bidding.
- 2. Failed to complete the scope of work in a bid in a timely manner.
- 3. Failed to follow DNR rules on the bid project.
- 4. Received one or more notices from Commerce under s. Comm 47.62 (2) that assess the financial management of an investigation as unacceptable.
- 5. In any prior occurrence that has been publicly bid, failed to do either of the following:
  - a. Pay subcontractors after receiving payment for them.
  - b. Obtain lien waivers on or before the date of the final payment by the RP or the PECFA program, from all subcontractors paid under subd. 5. a.
- 6. Failed to execute a contract with the RP as required in s. Comm 47.69 (1).
- 7. Failed to commence work within 45 days after executing a contract, as required in s. Comm 47.69 (3).

Commerce may disqualify any individual or firm from performing further work on a project if the individual or firm has not completed any of the six reporting points required

in Comm 47.70 and outlined in Section 2 of this bid document. Commerce will review and address the issue as stated in Comm 47.70 (4).

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Department of Commerce PECFA Program

Site Name: Vernon Oil Coop Bulk Plant Commerce #: 54665-0026-26-A BRRTS #: 02-63-107717 Submit Bid Response To: Cathy Voges Public Bid Response Department of Commerce PECFA Bureau 201 W Washington Ave, Madison WI 53703-2760 or PO Box 8044, Madison WI 53708-8044 Consulting Firm Name: Complete Mailing Address: Telephone: Fax Number: E-mail Address: Bidder (check one that applies): Professional Engineer License # Professional Geologist License # \_\_\_\_\_ Hydrologist Soil Scientist License # Use this box to certify (by marking with a check or X) a commitment to complete the work described in the bid specifications in its entirety for the Total Bid Amount proposed below. Failure to provide this performance assurance will disqualify this bid response. Providing unsolicited qualifications and/or contingency statements in your bid submittal will disqualify the bid response. Total Bid Amount: \$ Print Name: Title: I certify that I have the authority to commit my organization or firm to the performance of the bid I have submitted.

Signature:

# BID RESPONSE – BID ROUND 60

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Consulting Firm Name:			
A bid will be considered non-compliant if the bid response does not include a separate tabulation of costs for each activity.			
1	Soil excavation activities	\$	
2	Closure report preparation	\$	

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# **CONTINGENCY COSTS**

**Total Bid Amount** 

PECFA Claim Preparation

(Will be Approved and Added to the Bid Cap as Needed)

- Contingency cost per ton for excavated soil disposal. Commodity only.
- Collection and Analysis of TCLP Soil Samples for Landfill Disposal